

Washington, D.C. – Today, Congressman Charlie Gonzalez joined Congressman Chris Van Hollen in filing a [discharge petition](#) in an attempt to bring the DISCLOSE Act to the floor for a vote. The petition would bring the DISCLOSE Act to the floor, a bill that would let the American people know who is paying for political ads. The Republican leadership has refused to take up campaign finance laws, despite an 8-1 endorsement from the Supreme Court. When the Majority refused to hold a single hearing on the campaign finance, Mr. Gonzalez convened a [forum on how undisclosed, corporate money is impacting our election.](#) Congressman Gonzalez issued the following statement:

“The *Citizens United* decision has unleashed on this nation a barrage of negative and false campaign ads from outside groups, but congressional Republicans have obstructed every effort to bring transparency to this system. We must fight to restore fairness, accountability, and transparency to our political campaigns. The DISCLOSE Act would be a powerful step, and this discharge petition would require every Member of Congress to declare if they are for transparency or for the special interests and secret money.”

Mr. Gonzalez and Mr. Van Hollen also joined other Members of Congress [in filing an amicus brief](#) encouraging the Supreme Court to uphold the Montana Supreme Court’s decision to keep unlimited corporate contributions out of elections.

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